

Application Guidelines

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Key facts

Research Training		Research Grant
Basic Module: Running a clinical trial	Advanced Module: Research methods in PN	250.000 € to perform research projects
December 10 th & 11 th 2022	February 11 th & 12 th 2023	Winner(s) to be announced in September 2023

Description

- The Basic and Advanced Research Training Modules consist of a 2-day hands-on training taught in English by the Scientific Committee members.
- Training venue: Germany or virtual meeting depending on travel limitations.
- After the Advanced Module, all participants must submit a research proposal.
- The Scientific Committee rates the proposals and chooses the winner(s).

Qualification

- Physicians and scientists with focus on critically ill/ major surgery patients; and envisaging a serious career in research
- Solid background in research (e.g. PhD, publication list, participation in research projects at the institution)
- Working in an academic unit (hospital or institute, providing the necessary mentoring and infrastructure to perform a research project)
- High degree of interest in pursuing professional development in the area of clinical nutrition research

Cost

Reasonable costs for travel, accommodation, and training are covered by Fresenius Kabi, provided that there is sufficient consideration from the participant. Depending on specific country regulations an institutional [participation] fee can incur.

Grant overlap

If a participant receives notification of another grant from a pharmaceutical company with overlapping scientific objectives prior to the start of the research project, he must disclose this to Fresenius Kabi and either choose between the grants or find an agreement which is feasible for Fresenius Kabi.

Application requirements

- Researcher, who already joined the JUMPSTART program previously cannot apply again.
- Applications must be made in **English**.
- Full application includes:
 - Completed application form as available on www.nutritionevents.com/jumpstart
 - Video, where the applicants describe their interest in participating in the JUMPSTART Program in a 3-5 min video
 - Curriculum vitae (abbreviated version, maximum 4 pages, highlight research and clinical nutrition achievements or experience) suggested to be written in Arial font, size 10.
 - One or two letters of recommendation, including one letter from your supervisor.

Application documents including the video must be uploaded at www.nutritionevents.com/jumpstart by **July 31st, 2022**. No applications will be accepted after this date.

Maximum 20 participants will be chosen by the Scientific Committee on the basis of their experience in research and in Clinical Nutrition, and will be informed by September 22nd, 2022.

Terms and conditions for the JUMPSTART Research Grant

The research proposals should be aimed at developing new knowledge related to clinical nutrition in critically ill / major surgery patients. They are to be centered on the evaluation of clinical nutrition concepts to improve guidance to nutrition care in these patient group.

Research proposals can come from the following areas:

- Basic research
- Translational research
- Clinical research

Applications to use PN in sensitive populations, e.g. children or pregnant women, are excluded.

Participation in both basic and advanced training module is a prerequisite for application to the research grant. The research proposal is to be submitted as a study synopsis by June 30th, 2023 and needs to contain the following contents.

A Clear study hypothesis/research question

B Rationale and clinical significance of the hypothesis/research question, including references

C Study design

- Primary and secondary outcome parameters
- Methods and techniques
- Course of the study, including timelines
- Description of the study population (inclusion- and exclusion criteria)
- Data analysis (Power and sample size calculation, statistical methods for evaluation)
- Budget calculation (granted funds must be used exclusively for the project and not for overhead costs)

Further details will be announced during the JUMPSTART Research Trainings. The Scientific Committee rates all research proposals independent of Fresenius Kabi and decides about the winner(s) who are announced in August 2023.

Fresenius Kabi reserves the right to split the grant and allocate a portion of the total amount to another winner, e.g. if the budget plan does not cover the total amount. The winning grantee(s) will receive in total 250.000 € based on the budget plan and on the basis of a contract to be concluded between the institution and Fresenius Kabi. The grant must be used to support expenses that are directly related to the research project, e.g. equipment, patient insurance, lab analyses etc.; it may not be used for other expenses which include tuition, lab assistant pay, consultant fees, travel costs, overhead costs or personal expenses.

The research project starts from autumn 2023. After one and a half years, by March 1, 2025, the grantee(s) must submit a progress report to the Scientific Committee. The Committee decides about the continued payment of the research grant and may deny it if the grantee does not perform the research project as suggested in his proposal or if other conditions of the JUMPSTART Research Grant are not fulfilled without valid reasons.